

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus comprising:
control information acquiring means for acquiring from a program information
providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;
identification information acquiring means for acquiring identification information for
identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;
code information acquiring means for acquiring, on the basis of said identification
information acquired by said identification information acquiring means, code information
for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information ~~corresponding to being~~
automatically obtained from a server apparatus if unavailable in a local memory, said code
information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired by said control
information acquiring means; and
transmitting means for transmitting said code information acquired by said code
information acquiring means to said recording apparatus.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The information processing apparatus according to
claim 1, wherein said ~~transmitting means transmits said code information to said recording~~
~~means, said coding means instructing~~ code information instructs said recording ~~means~~
apparatus to execute one of operations for starting and ending a recording session.

Claim 3 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said transmitting means transmits said code information which instructs said recording apparatus to execute a preset recording operation.

Claim 4 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said identification information acquiring means acquires a maker name and a model name of said recording apparatus as said identification information.

Claim 5 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said code information acquiring means acquires said code information through a network.

Claim 6 (Original): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control information includes broadcast channel information, broadcast date, broadcast start time, and broadcast end time of said program.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An information processing method comprising:
a control information acquiring step of acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;
an identification information acquiring step of acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;
a code information acquiring step of acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired in said identification information acquiring step, code information for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information ~~corresponding to~~ being

automatically obtained from a server apparatus if unavailable in a local memory, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired in said control information acquiring step; and

a transmitting step of transmitting said code information acquired in said code information acquiring step to said recording apparatus.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A ~~program storage medium storing a computer-readable program~~ computer-readable carrier, including computer program instructions which cause a computer to implement a method of information processing, comprising:

a control information acquiring step of acquiring from a program information providing apparatus control information for controlling preset recording of a program;

an identification information acquiring step of acquiring identification information for identifying a recording apparatus by which said program is recorded;

a code information acquiring step of acquiring, on the basis of said identification information acquired in said identification information acquiring step, code information for controlling said recording apparatus, said code information ~~corresponding to being~~ automatically obtained from a server apparatus if available in a local memory, said code information correspondingly employed with said control information acquired in said control information acquiring step; and

a transmitting step of transmitting said code information acquired in said code information acquiring step to said recording apparatus.